

# **Cultural Arts & Community Events August 2009 Calendar Of Events**

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Arts & Community Events programs: www.artslasvegas.org City of Las Vegas Web site: www.lasvegasparksandrec.com

PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

#### Erin Anfinson - Confrontations Exhibition

Through Aug. 27, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383 Contemporary paintings of animals and landscapes.

# Celebrating Life! Winners Circle Exhibition

Through Sept. 18, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bridge Gallery, City Hall, 400 Stewart Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lobby.

Award-winning entries from the Celebrating Life! juried fine arts competition for active adults 50 and better.

Free admission.

# It's A Girl Thing Exhibition

Through Oct. 10, Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211. Local artists explore the title of the exhibit through their artwork. Free admission.

### The Arts Conservatory Performance (all ages)

Saturday, Aug. 1, 10 a.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Enjoy this community showcase of students' achievements in drama and theatre arts. Performances will include improvisations and short, one-act plays by the talented children of The Arts Conservatory summer camp, produced and directed by the award-winning Rainbow Company staff.

Free admission

## Final Musical Production of Performing & Visual Arts Summer Camp for Kids 2009

Tuesday, Aug. 4, 10 a.m. at House of Blues – Mandalay Bay, 3950 Las Vegas Blvd. South Wednesday, Aug. 5, 1 p.m. at Clark County Library Theatre, 1401 E. Flamingo Road Saturday, Aug. 8, 2 p.m. at West Las Vegas Library Theatre, 951 W. Lake Mead Blvd. Youth ages 10 to 15 will perform, demonstrating some of the new skills learned in the eightweek youth development summer camp.

Free admission

## Kwak Ballet - Potpourri (all ages)

Saturday, Aug. 8, 2 p.m.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Enjoy a potpourri of classical ballet, contemporary dance and dance from Swan Lake.

Featured dancers will be Kyudong Kwak, former principal dancer and ballet master, and Yoomi Lee, former principal dancer, of the Nevada Ballet Theatre.

Tickets: \$8 students, \$10 adults

## Saturday Contra Dancing (all ages)

Cosponsored by the Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers

Saturday, Aug. 8, 7 to 10 p.m.; group lessons 6:30 p.m.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., 229-6383

Dance to the live music of an acoustic band playing joyful fiddle tunes, driving reels, and a waltz or two. These lively community dances recapture aspects of New England and frontier barn dances, with more modern twists. All dances are taught and called, newcomers and families are welcomed. No need to bring a partner. Wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and casual clothing.

Tickets: \$7 adults; \$5 members, students & military; \$3 for children under 16 and non-dancing adults.

# Rainbow Company Youth Theatre Student Ensemble Audition (ages 10-18)

Saturday, Aug. 15, 1 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Youth ages 10 to 18 who are seriously interested in theatre may audition for membership in the 2009-2010 Ensemble. Members learn all aspects of stagecraft and participate in five annual productions. Call 229-6553 for more information. No cost to audition.

# Solo Acoustic Spotlight Series: Charles Washington - Impressionist

Saturday, Aug. 15, 2 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Enjoy an afternoon of character and comedy. Singer/impersonator Charles Washington will have you laughing as he entertains you with impressions of Sammy Davis Jr., Bill Cosby, Nat King Cole, Louie Armstrong, Jimmy Durante, Johnny Mathis, Sam Cooke, John Wayne and many others.

Tickets: \$5 all seats

# **Summer Hoedown and Square Dance** (all ages)

Saturday, Aug. 15, 3 to 6 p.m.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center, 250 N. Eastern Ave., 229-1515

Celebrate summer by dancing in the air-conditioned ballroom. Learn a few new dances and enjoy old favorites, such as the Virginia reel, Cotton Eye Joe, Hokie-Pokie and more. Light refreshments will be served.

Tickets: \$5 adults; free for children 12 and younger accompanied by supervising adult

## **Bandstand Jam Series:** *Jam Session* (all ages)

Friday, Aug. 21, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center, 250 N. Eastern Ave., 229-1515

Community performers are invited to participate in an open jam session. Share a favorite song, poem or dance. Performer registration is required by Friday, Aug. 14, and is on a first-come basis. Open to all ages, presentations must be suitable for the entire family.

Free admission

## The Poets' Corner

Friday, Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m.

# **West Las Vegas Arts Center**

947 W. Lake Mead Blvd., 229-4800

Keith Brantley hosts a forum for established poets and open-microphone participants.

Free admission.

# Rainbow Company Youth Theatre Audition (ages 10-adult)

Saturday, Aug. 22, 1 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Adults and children ages 10 and older are invited to audition for the first production of the 2009-2010 season, Roald Dahl's modern classic *The Witches*. It will be performed Oct. 2-11. Call 229-6553 for more information.

No cost to audition.

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## Encore Follies – Broadway Our Way IV (ages 10-adult)

Saturday, Aug. 29, 2 p.m.

Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North, 229-6211.

Enjoy performances of songs and dances from Tony Award-winning musicals, as well as comic interludes, stunning costumes and fast-moving presentations, by 20 spectacular entertainers between the ages of 57 and 94.

Tickets: \$7 all seats